


# MISSISSIPPI ENTITY CERTIFICATION UNDER THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT

I, Johnny L. Allen (head of institution or governing body or political subdivision), hereby certify to the Mississippi Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) that American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (ARRA) funds accepted and disbursed by Northeast Mississippi Community College (institution or governing body or political subdivision name) will be spent responsibly and effectively as possible while maintaining the appropriate controls and reporting mechanisms to ensure accountability and transparency in compliance with ARRA. I understand that we may not accept nor escalate ARRA funds unless this certification is made to DFA and that a copy of this certification will be placed on file with the Office of the Governor and posted on stimulus.ms.gov.

In addition, I certify compliance with the following:

- 1) pursuant to Title Stabilization Funds and other ARRA funds as awarded and appropriate\*, Subtitle       , Section(s)        of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Public Law 111-5 (February 17, 2009)) ("ARRA"),        (type of) investments funded with amounts appropriated by ARRA under the heading:        (Program Name) to the        (Federal Agency) will receive the full review and vetting required by law and that I accept responsibility that such investments of ARRA funds will be appropriate uses of taxpayer dollars;
- 2) the specific information required by Section(s)        and Section 1512 concerning each such investment is in strict accordance with federal ARRA requirements and in accordance with the guidelines issued by DFA to meet reporting requirements;
- 3) accept responsibility for communicating with respective federal agency(ies) to ensure we remain in compliance with all requirements of ARRA and will communicate those requirements to DFA in a timely manner;
- 4) risks are or will be identified and internal controls which are sufficient to mitigate the risk of waste, fraud, and abuse are or will be implemented;
- 5) prior audit findings, if applicable, have been addressed and corrective action plans implemented;
- 6) the certification currently made on payments is inclusive of the following for ARRA funds:
  - a. the claims are just, due, correct and unpaid;
  - b. the goods sold or services rendered have been delivered or performed in good order;
  - c. all statutory requirements covering the payment of this claim have been complied with,
    - i. all state statutory and regulatory requirements have been complied with;
    - ii. all federal statutory and regulatory requirements have been complied with;
    - iii. all grant-specific requirement have been complied with; and
    - iv. all ARRA-specific requirements have been complied with.

  
head of institution or governing body or political subdivision

Northeast Mississippi Community College  
name of institution or governing body or political subdivision

April 27, 2009

Date

\*per telephone conversation with Freddie Phillips of DFA.

May 7, 2009

Mississippi Department of Finance and Administration  
ATTN: Freddie M. Phillips,  
Deputy Executive Director  
501 North West Street  
Suite 1301, Woolfolk Building  
Jackson, MS 39201

Dear Mr. Phillips:

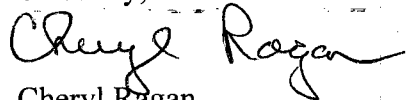
Please find enclosed the completed "Mississippi Entity Certification under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act" form for Northeast Mississippi Community College. The form has been completed on behalf of Northeast in accordance with our telephone conversation from late April.

Northeast is not yet in receipt of ARRA funds; however, the College does expect to be receiving funds. Please be assured that Northeast Mississippi Community College will maintain the "appropriated controls and reporting mechanisms to ensure accountability and transparency of funds" received from ARRA.

If you have questions concerning this form or Northeast, please feel free to contact me at (662) 720-7280 or [chragan@nemcc.edu](mailto:chragan@nemcc.edu).

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,



Cheryl Ragan  
Vice President of Finance and  
Operations

CC: Dr. Johnny Allen, President